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Examiner Name: Jack I Berman
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Title: ION IMPLANTATION ION SOURCE,
SYSTEM AND METHOD

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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(3) FOR UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM
OF PRIORITY AND BENEFIT OF PRIOR-FILED APPLICATIONS**

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3) to correct the above-identified application to allow the applicant to claim the priorities and benefits of earlier filing dates and cross-references to other applications. Applicant presently recognizes that the due date for filing this claim for priority to the US Application, 10/170,512, was August 15, 2004, which is the later of four months from the actual filing date of the present application or sixteen months from the filing date of the prior-filed application. Accordingly, Applicant

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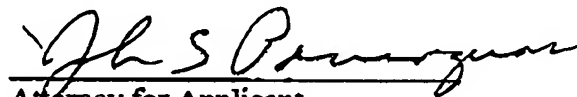
hereby asserts that the entire delay between the August 15, 2004 due date and today was unintentional. A separate amendment is attached to correct the "Cross Reference to Related Applications" in the specification.

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It is believed that all three requirements of a Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(3) have been satisfied above. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that this Petition be granted by the Commissioner.

Respectfully submitted,

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